

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 18421 Agenda Number 75.

Meeting Date: 9/27/2012 Department: Transportation

Subject

Approve an ordinance establishing a parking benefit district in the University Neighborhood Overlay District.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Ordinance No. 20111006-053
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Boards and Commission Action:	Reviewed by the Urban Transportation Commission.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Pursuant to Chapter 12-6 regarding Parking Benefit Districts (PBD), staff may establish a permanent PBD with City Council approval. Staff is seeking approval to establish a permanent Parking Benefit District in the University Neighborhood Overlay (UNO) West Campus area. Ordinance No. 20111006-053 allows for the establishment of the PBD. The University Neighborhood Overlay PBD was planned and approved by the University Area Partners (UAP) during their July 24, 2012 members meeting.

In 2007, parking meters were implemented in the West Campus area, totaling 96 parking spaces along San Antonio Street from West 19th to West 24th streets. Over the past four years, staff has monitored the program and revenue from the pilot was allocated to the West 23rd Street and Rio Grande Street improvement projects. Following the success of the pilot program, staff, at the request of the area residents, is now seeking to expand the scope of the PBD to include Guadalupe to Rio Grande streets from Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to West 29th Street.

The implementation of a permanent PBD would enable staff to implement 385 parking spaces, including the 96 spaces already included in the pilot area. Based on PBD guidelines, the University Neighborhood Overlay district is

projected to earn roughly \$72,500 for sidewalk upgrades.

The estimated revenue is projected to be \$470,000 based on the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday for thirty six weeks (not taking into account the 16 weeks of school breaks in a year). Projected revenue estimates were based on the assumption of 50% utilization Monday through Friday and 20% utilization on Saturday.

At this time staff is requesting approval to set up the District. If approved, staff will return with a budget amendment if needed.